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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by: (PS)

AN ACT REQUIRING DOUBLED FINES FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS IN MUNICIPAL CONSTRUCTION ZONES AND PROHIBITING MUNICIPALITIES FROM REQUIRING POLICE SUPERVISION OF CONSTRUCTION ZONES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 14-212a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):
- 3 (a) The Superior Court shall impose an additional fee equivalent to
- 4 one hundred per cent of the fine established or imposed for the
- 5 violation of the provisions of section 14-213, 14-213b, 14-214, 14-215,
- 6 14-216, 14-218a, 14-219, 14-220, 14-221, 14-222, 14-222a, 14-223, 14-224,
- 7 14-225, 14-227a, 14-230, 14-230a, 14-231, 14-232, 14-233, 14-235, 14-236,
- 8 14-237, 14-238, 14-238a, 14-239, 14-240, 14-240a, 14-241, 14-242, 14-243,
- 9 14-244, 14-245, 14-246a, 14-247, 14-247a, 14-248a, 14-249, 14-250, 14-
- 10 250a, 14-257, 14-261, 14-266, 14-271, 14-273, 14-279, 14-281a, subsection
- 11 (e) or (g) of section 14-283, section 14-289a or 14-289b for any such
- 12 violation committed (1) while construction work is ongoing within a
- 13 highway construction zone designated in a conspicuous manner by the
- 14 Department of Transportation, (2) while construction work is ongoing

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- 15 within a municipal road construction zone designated in a 16 conspicuous manner by such municipality, (3) while utility work is 17 ongoing within a utility work zone designated in a conspicuous 18 manner by a public service company, as defined in section 16-1, or by a 19 water company, as defined in section 25-32a, or (4) while activities are
- 20 ongoing in a traffic incident management zone.
- 21 (b) (1) The Department of Transportation shall post a sign at the 22 beginning of a highway construction zone which shall read as follows: 23 "ROAD WORK AHEAD FINES DOUBLED", and at the end of such 24 zone which shall read as follows: "END ROAD WORK".
 - (2) A municipality shall post a sign at the beginning of a municipal road construction zone which shall read as follows: "ROAD WORK AHEAD FINES DOUBLED", and at the end of such zone which shall read as follows: "END ROAD WORK".
 - [(2)] (3) A public service company or water company shall post a sign at the beginning of a utility work zone which shall read as follows: "UTILITY WORK AHEAD FINES DOUBLED", and at the end of such zone which shall read as follows: "END UTILITY WORK".
 - [(3)] (4) As used in this section, "traffic incident management zone" refers to an area of a highway where temporary traffic controls or measures are installed under the authority of the Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of Public Safety, or local "traffic authority", as defined in section 14-297, in response to a motor vehicle incident, natural disaster, hazardous material spill or other unplanned incident. The traffic incident management zone shall be delineated by the use of one or more temporary traffic control devices or measures such as signs, cones, flares or visible flashing or revolving lights which meet the requirements of sections 14-96p and 14-96q.
 - (c) The state, municipality or any agency or employee of the state or municipality shall not be civilly liable for any injuries or damages to any person or property which may result, either directly or indirectly,

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from failure on the part of the Department of Transportation to post any sign required under subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2011*) No municipality shall require that a police officer supervise traffic at a construction zone on a municipal road, as defined in section 13a-110a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2011	14-212a
Sec. 2	October 1, 2011	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To expand current law protecting certain work zones with increased fines in such zones to include construction zones on municipal roads and to prohibit municipalities from requiring police officers to supervise construction zones.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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